THE MOMENT I REALIZED MY OWN FEELINGS FOR HIM...

I DISCOVERED A SIDE OF HIM I'D NEVER SEEN BEFORE.

TREMBLING IN EXCITEMENT AS IF FROZEN IN PLEASURE

HEY, AYANO'S CUTE IF YOU LOOK AT HER PROPERLY.

WHEN SHE'S REALLY SMILING AND BLUSHING LIKE THAT.

AS IF SOMEONE ELSE WITH A FINICKY TASTE WOULD TREASURE HER.

HUH? YOU'VE GOT A SWEETY TASTE

OWW!

OH, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STEPPED ON MY FOOT...!!

YOU STEPPED ON MY FOOT, DON'T YOU?!

I ALSO REMEMBER GETTING INTO THEIR CAR AND FEELING

THE ONE WHO STEPPED ON BOTH OF THEIR FEET

WHEN DID IT TURN INTO INFATUATION, I WONDER?

TSUBA SAA!!

CHATTER

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DAMN, IT'S THE CROWD'S GETTING THICKER.

IT'S GOING TO BE HARD TO GET CLOSE TO HER LIKE THIS...

No, mother...

Stop!! Mother!!

Irritated

DON'T YOU...

TSUBA ...!

DARE TOUCH HER!

SA--

BONK

BONK?

WORRIED

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RYANO-SAN! WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU'RE SPACING OUT.

YOU MIGHT WANT TO GET BEHIND

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AH, JUST NOW... I THOUGHT SOMEONE CALLED MY NAME...

WHO CALLED YOU?

I THINK I HEARD... YUU'S VOICE...

AH!

YEAH, GO AHEAD. SMILE ALL YOU WANT!

AHEAD. I'M AT FAULT HERE.

HA HA HA HA

SELF-DESTRUCT

SORRY, RYANO-SAN. WE DON'T HAVE ANY INTENTION OF TEASING YOU.

WE WERE JUST THINKING YOU MIGHT BE SAD BECAUSE ICHINOSE-KUN ISN'T HERE.

BUT IT'S A REAL SHAME THAT HE COULDN'T COME.

EVEN THOUGH YOU WORE A YUKATA AND YOU LOOK REALLY CUTE.

YOU SAID IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME WEARING ONE, RIGHT?

I DO COME TO FESTIVALS WITH YUU EVERY YEAR.

AND I WANTED TO COME WITH HIM TODAY.

YEAH... I DO WISH HE CAME WITH US.

IT'S OUR FIRST FESTIVAL IN THIS TOWN AFTER ALL.

BUT IF I HAD TO CHOOSE... I DON'T WANT HIM TO SEE ME WEARING A YUKATA

WHAAT?! WHY?!

BECAUSE HE'S SUPER CUTE!

I'D HATE IT IF HE THINKS I'M TRYING HARD TO SHOW MY FEMININE SIDE.

AND IT'S KINDA EMBARRASSING... YEAH, I'D HATE THAT.

OH, I THINK I UNDERSTAND--

BUT IF YOU DON'T SEE ICHINOSE-KUN AS SOMEONE OF THE OPPOSITE SEX, I THINK YOU HAVE NOTHING TO BE EMBARRASSED ABOUT, RIGHT?

HEY, AYANO-SAN. HAVE YOU REALLY NEVER SEEN ICHINOSE-KUN AS A MAN? NOT EVEN ONCE?

HUH?

...WELL... THAT'S TRUE, TOO...

THAT, OR HAS IT CROSSED YOUR MIND THAT MAYBE ICHINOSE-KUN SEES YOU AS A GIRL?

SMALL, SOFT, AND SOMEHOW NICE IT PROBABLY SMELLS LIKE A GIRL'S HAIR!

I KNOW!

I FULLY COMPREHEND THAT I'M BIOLOGICALLY FEMALE, AND HE'S BIOLOGICALLY MALE.

Really?

Why is she all worried over nothing?

I SOMETIMES THINK THAT HE PERCEIVES ME AS A FEMALE GORILLA.

...YEAH... SORRY, WE WON'T ASK ABOUT ICHI-NOSE-KUN AGAIN.

THAT'S RIGHT!

YOU COMPREHENDS THAT, TOO

WHILE CALLING ME A GORILLA OVER AND OVER, I THINK HE INTERACTS WITH ME KNOWING THAT I'M PROPERLY A GIRL.

THAT'S RIGHT!

THAT'S JUST ABOUT IT

...APOLOGIZE, YOUNGSTER.

I WAS SEARCHING FOR THIS.

NO... IT'S MY FAULT FOR SUDDENLY RUNNING WITHOUT LOOKING AROUND FIRST.

IT'S MY FAULT, BUT...

HOHO HO

WE WERE BOTH SEPARATED FROM OUR COMPANIONS--

Where is my grandchild?

IS THE PLACE WHERE I HIT EARLIER ALRIGHT?

WE SHOULD APPLY FIRST AID...

THIS MUCH IS NOTHING.

IT'S FINE. IT WAS TO PROTECT MY TREASURE AFTER ALL.

TREASURE?

THIS IS THE LAST THING MY WIFE MADE FOR ME.

DESPITE HER WEAKENED EYESIGHT, SHE MADE THIS WITH EVERYTHING SHE HAD.

THAT'S

SOMETHING YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY PROTECT.

HOHOHO. I'LL PUT MY LIFE ON THE LINE TO PROTECT IT.

OH, MAN. MY TREASURE'S PROBABLY GOING WILD SOMEWHERE

OH? THAT'S A VERY ENERGETIC TREASURE YOU HAVE THERE.

SHE'S AN OVERLY ENERGETIC GORILLA-LIKE TREASURE

HOHOHO IT MUST BE HARD PROTECTING THAT TREASURE.

I'M LITERALLY PUTTING MY LIFE ON THE LINE.

Oh, wrong. Now, you'll have to get it back from us, Souta.

HOHOHO

YOU HAVE TO HURRY AND RETURN TO HER SIDE, THEN.

I AM FINE NOW. I'M SURE MY GRANDCHILD IS COMING TO GET ME SOON.

IT'S FINE.

I CAN'T LEAVE A SENIOR HERE ALL ALONE.

I'LL WAIT WITH YOU UNTIL YOUR GRANDCHILD COMES.

I STARTED RUNNING WITHOUT THINKING EARLIER

BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN DO SOMETHING EVEN IF I WENT THERE.

Aqie! I couldn't even find her in this crowd.

HO HO HO

SHE SEEMED TO BE HAVING FUN, TOO.

I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER HER.

I JUST REMEMBERED. IT SEEMS THAT THERE IS SOMEONE

WHO SLIPS INTO THE CROWD AND TOUCHES WOMEN'S BODIES.

WHAT!?

SO IT'S YOU.

I BUMPED INTO PEOPLE FROM TIME TO TIME

AND TOUCHED PLACES WITHOUT REALIZING IT.

I'M SORRY.

ARE YOU FINE WITH THAT? ANOTHER PERSON WILL TOUCH YOUR DEAR GORILLA HERE AND THERE

This spot and that spot. That spot, too! Jealous

I'M GONNA MURDER THAT PERSON.

Grampa, that's homicidemo. Cancel homocancel.

HOHOHO THAT'S THE SPIRIT.

NOW, OFF YOU GO.

IT SEEMS THAT MY GRANDCHILD HAS COME.

...YOUNG -STER.

EVEN IF YOU REGRET IT, IT'D BE TOO LATE FOR YOU ONCE YOU LOSE HER. REMEMBER THAT.

EVEN IF SHE DOES GET INTO THAT KIND OF SITUATION, I'M SURE SHE'D BE ABLE TO SOLVE IT HERSELF.

GRAMPS, I'M GOING NOW.

DON'T LOSE YOUR TREASURE AGAIN, OKAY?

HOHOHOHOH. IT MUST BE NICE TO BE YOUNG.

GRAND -PA!

OOH, YOU'VE FINALLY COME.

I WAS SURPRISED WHEN YOU SUDDENLY DISAPPEAR -ED

ARE YOU ALRIGHT? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?

I'M SORRY HOHO HOHO

I'M GLAD WE FOUND YOU QUICKLY.

HO HO HO

Dang...all there are, total some cuties...

HE'S...

THEN, DOES THAT MEAN THAT AYANO-SAN IS NEARBY...?

TENGOU! LET'S GO SOMEPLACE WHERE WE CAN GET A GOOD VIEW OF THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY.

GRANDPA SAYS HE CAN STILL WALK.

GRAB

MY HEAD ... HURTS.

...HUH? ARE YOU ALRIGHT ??

MAYBE THE GROUND MADE YOU DIZZY?

FUKUOKA, I'M SORRY. IS IT OKAY IF WE GO SOMEWHERE FAR FROM THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY SITE?

HOHOHO OF COURSE. I'M FINE ANYWHERE.

...I'M REALLY SORRY.

SORRY, TSUTSUMI.

I CAN'T LET YOU TWO MEET.

I CAN'T LET

YOU AND AYANO-SAN—...

CHATTER

CHATTER

THE...

THE CROWD'S TOO THICK!

CAN'T MOVE...

I DON'T THINK I CAN GO THERE...

HURRY. THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY IS ABOUT TO START!

SEPARATED FROM THEM FOR A BIT SO I CAN BUY PRESENTS ...

IT'LL BE A NUISANCE SO I'LL JUST SIT IN THIS CORNER...

IT'S JUST AS I THOUGHT...

THERE'S SO MUCH LITTER AROUND...

THE SEATING...

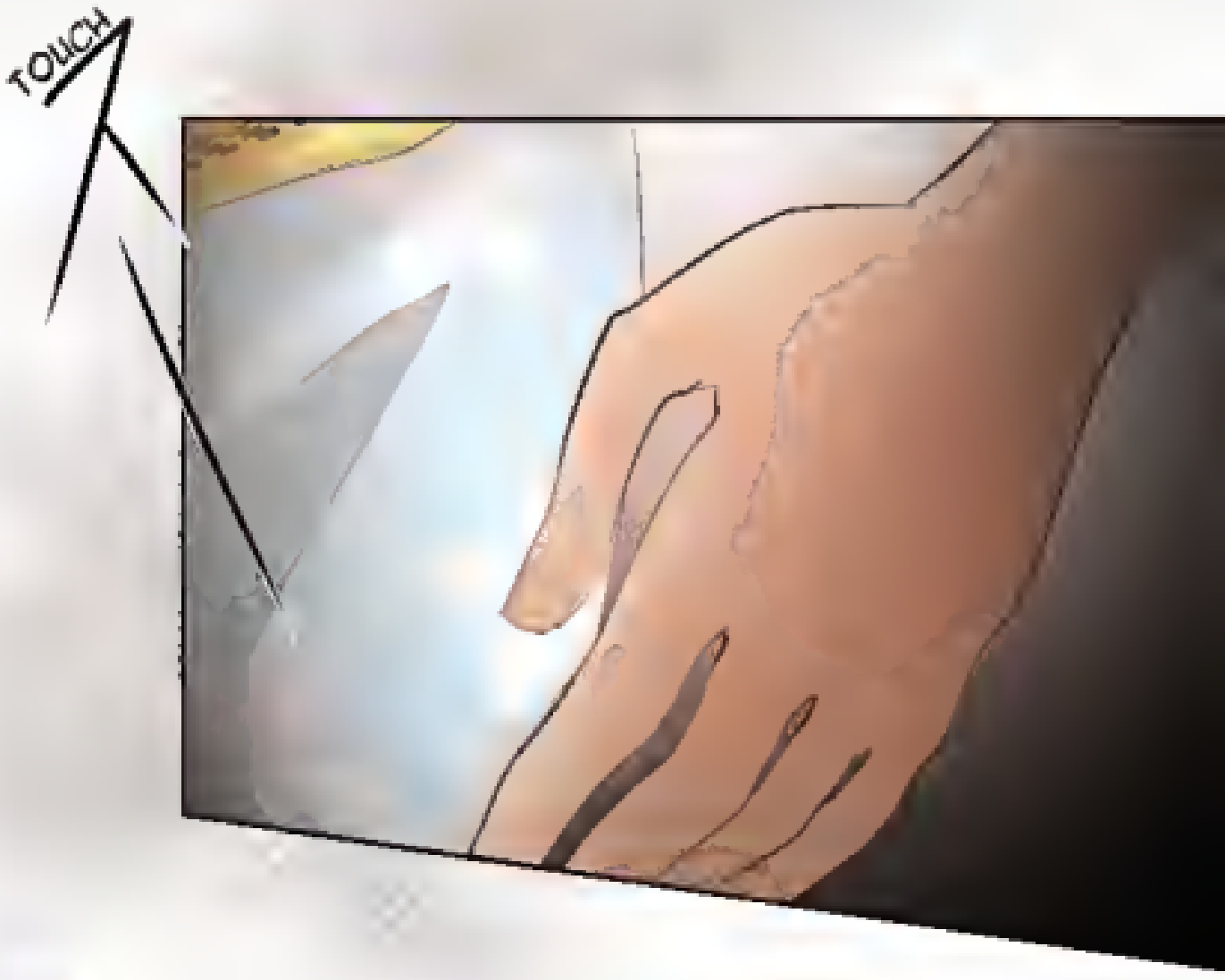
WHAH, OH NO! TOO MANY PEOPLE!

LET'S GO OVER THERE!

Leaves the room.

Puts away his trash.

WELL, HE'S BEEN LOOKING AFTER ME FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS.
I'll definitely drag him next year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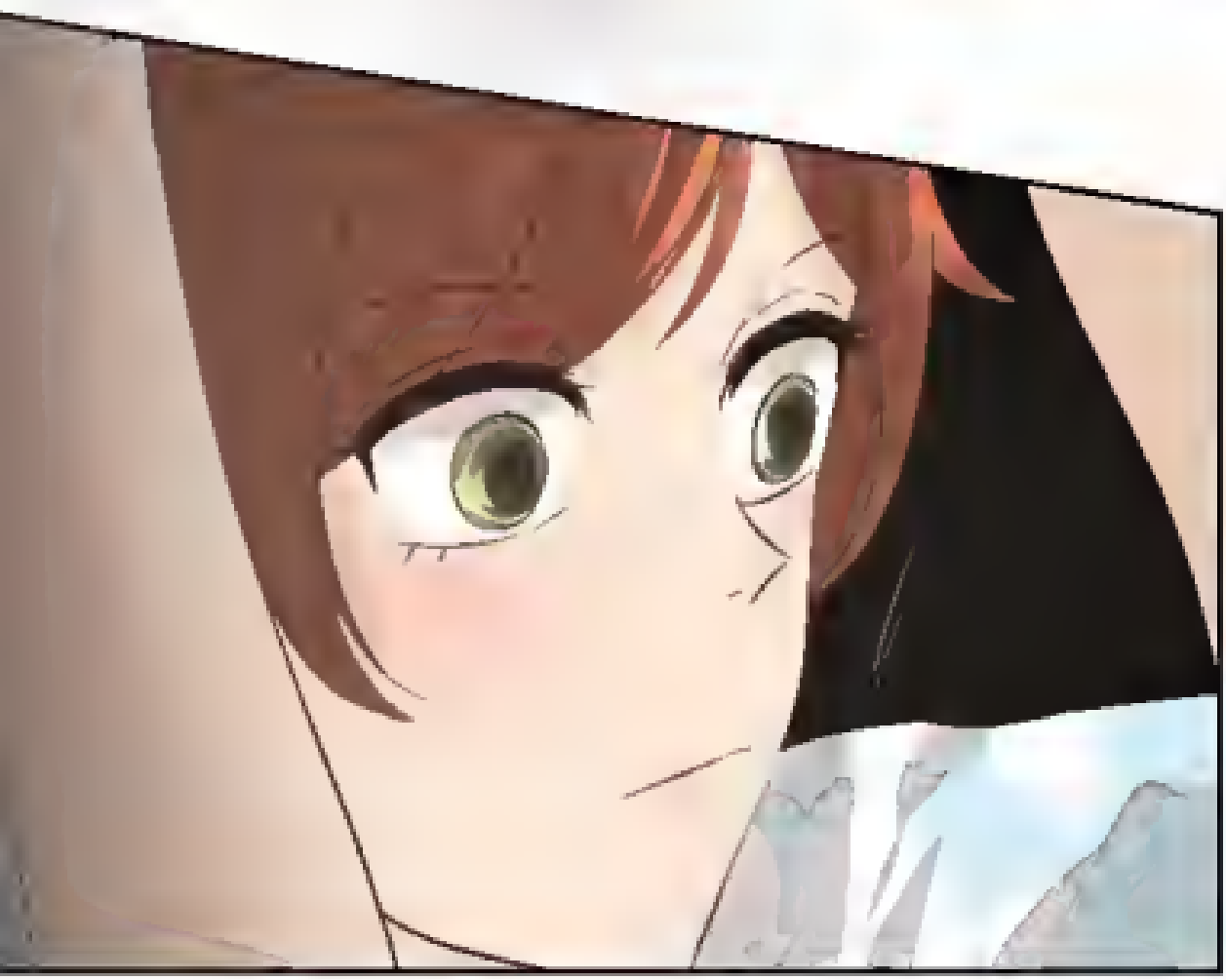

...HUH?
WHAT..?

HUH...?

DON'T FUCK WITH ME. WHOSE BUTT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TOUCHING?!
I'M GONNA SEND YOU FLY—

HANDS ARE FULL WITH PRESENTS.
FEET UNABLE TO MOVE DUE TO THE YUKATA AND CROWD.
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I
CAN
NOT
MOVE...

DAMN... I MESSED UP.

MY BODY CAN'T MOVE..

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BECAUSE
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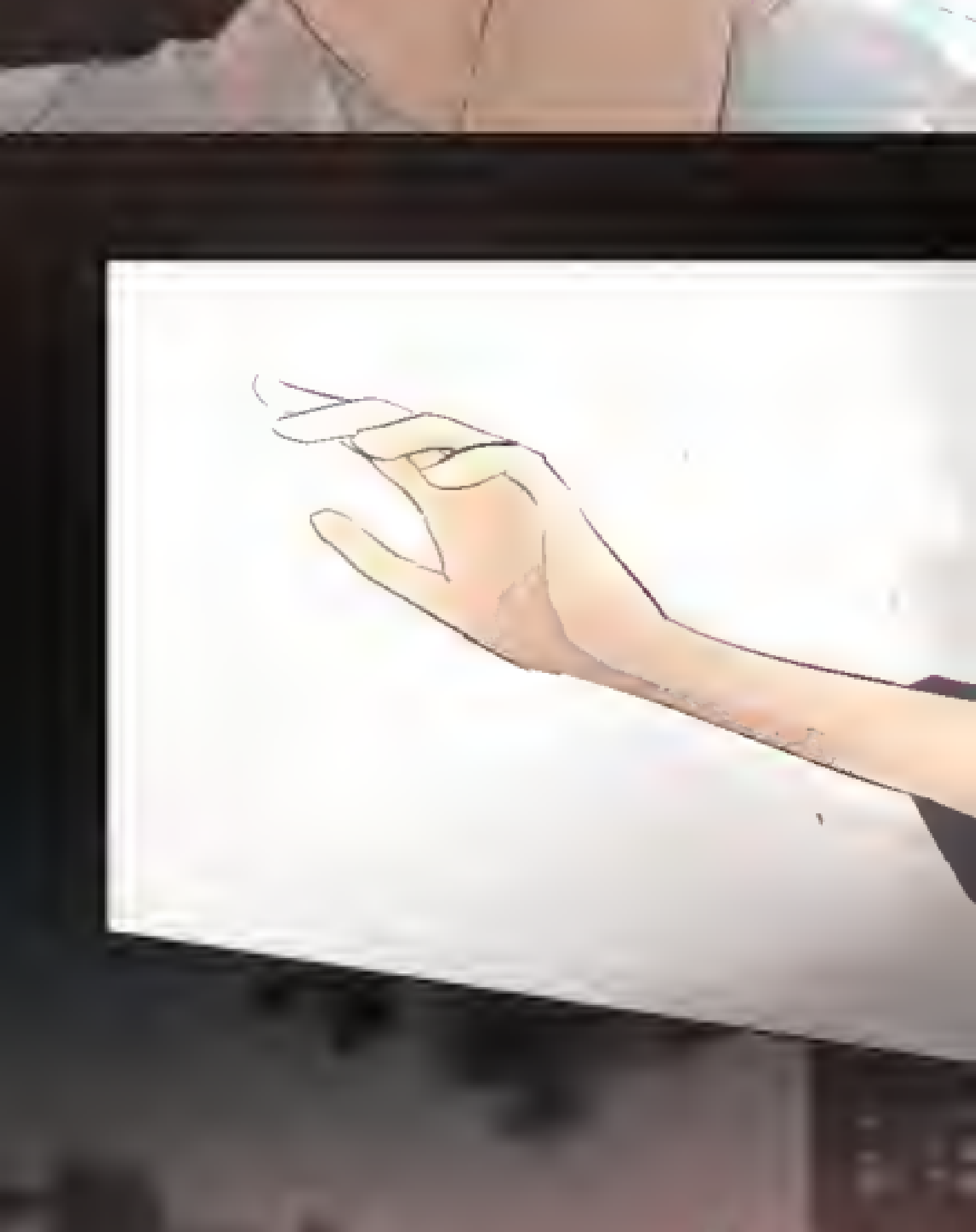

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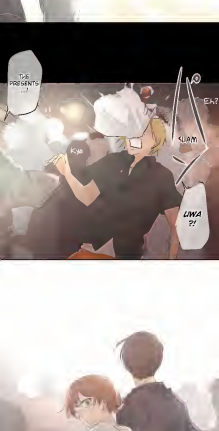

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